

# **REPLY/AMENDMENT**

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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For:

SECONDARY BATTERY INCLUDING IMPROVED CAP ASSEMBLY AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING THE CAP ASSEMBLY

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2006, having a shortened period for response set to expire on July 19, 2006, the following remarks are provided.

## I. Provisional Election of Claims Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.142

Applicants provisionally elect **group I**, **including claims 1-14**, in response to the preliminary restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action.

## II. Applicants Traverse the Requirement

Insofar as Group II is concerned, it is believed that claims 15-20 are so closely related to elected claims 1-14 that they should remain in the same application. The elected claims 1-14 are directed to a cap assembly and a secondary battery and claims 15-20 are drawn to a method of manufacturing a cap assembly. There have been no references cited to show any necessity for requiring restriction and, in fact, it is believed that the Examiner would find references containing both method and apparatus claims in the same field of technology.

MPEP §803 sets forth the criteria for restriction between patentably distinct inventions. (A) indicates that the inventions must be independent (see MPEP §802.01, §806.04, §808.01) or distinct as claimed (see MPEP §806.05-806.05(i)); and (B) indicates that there must be a serious